

## IS CHARGED WITH MURDER

Will Hamilton Arraigned This Morning in the Police Court.

The Name of His Victim Was Jacob Fulzer, of Terre Haute, Ind.—Seven Thrusts.

## THE INQUEST TO BE HELD TODAY

Will Hamilton, known by many as Will Charity, was presented in Judge Sanders' court this morning on a charge of murder. The man he stabbed yesterday morning on South Second street, as announced in yesterday's paper, died at the city hospital from his wounds. He was stabbed seven times, and two or three of the wounds would each likely have proven fatal had there been no others.

Hamilton was represented by Gilbert and Cross, who announced that they would not be ready for trial until day after tomorrow. Judge Sanders stated that he would turn the case over to the grand jury, but the attorneys asked that this not be done, at least until after the coroner's inquest, which was set for 1 o'clock in the afternoon. To this the court agreed, and continued the case until tomorrow.

Hamilton stated to a reporter this morning after court that he had nothing to say except that he assaulted Johnson in defense of his own life. That he and Johnson had had trouble before, and Johnson had been following him for an hour to provoke trouble yesterday morning.

It seems that they had had an altercation previously but never came to blows.

It developed today that the name of the victim is not Jack Johnson, the name he went by, but Jacob Fulzer, of Terre Haute, Ind. He came from a well-to-do family, who are said to have money, and twelve years ago deserted his wife and two children, and had not seen them since. He had drifted about and spent much of his time on steamboats, and changed his name in order that his family would not know of the life he was leading.

The remains were taken to Nanco's undertaking establishment last evening, and will be held to await instructions from his relatives. He was 40 years old, and a man of quick temper, and one who never neglected an opportunity, it is said by those who knew him, to fight.

This afternoon Justice Shebau was holding an inquest at the city hall, and is hearing all the evidence.

## POOL ROOMS RAIDED.

MAYOR GRANGER AGREES TO BREAK THEM UP AT LOUISVILLE.

Louisville, Dec. 4.—After a committee of ministers had called on him this morning and stated that the defalcation and suicide of Stuart Young was due to pool room gambling, and asked him to stop the gambling, Mayor Granger agreed to act.

The board of safety at once issued an order for a raid on the two pool rooms this afternoon. There was a general scattering of the frequenters.

## AFTER ANARCHISTS.

A BILL INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS TODAY.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The House is not in session today.

A bill was introduced providing for the exclusion and deportation of anarchists.

The Hay-Pauncefote canal treaty was today sent to the Senate.

The canal commission report was sent to the senate with the canal treaty report. It recommends the Nicaraguan route.

## NO SERVICES.

The furnace being under repair, there will be no prayer service at Broadway Methodist church tonight.

## THE JURY WAS SECURED

James Spriggs on Trial in Circuit Court For His Life.

Considerable Trouble in Securing a Jury in the Case—Witnesses Examined.

## COURT NEWS FOR THIS VICINITY TODAY

### CIRCUIT COURT.

In the case against J. G. O'Rourke, the defendant entered motion and reasons to set aside the judgment, and the same was sustained.

In the case of E. Putrell against J. S. Futrell, G. P. Husbands, M. C. C. filed a deed to E. Putrell.

H. C. Overby and L. W. Robertson were excused as petit jurors, and E. W. Kirkpatrick and L. Y. Craig were substituted.

In the grand larceny case against G. W. Elrod, the prosecution was dismissed on motion of the prosecuting attorney.

The trial of James Spriggs, colored, for the murder of Maule Rogers, his sweetheart, at Seventh and Jackson streets several months ago, is in progress at the court house, and several witnesses have been heard today.

There was considerable trouble in selecting a jury, but the case was taken up today, and will not last long. The evidence is very much against Spriggs, apparently, as it is proven that he was insanely jealous of the girl, and had threatened to kill her.

### COUNTY COURT.

John Jones, a colored teamster, aged 45, and Emma Bentley, aged 39, were this morning licensed to wed. It will make the third marriage of the groom and the first of the bride.

The liquor license of F. Gabriel was this morning transferred to Dick Sebree.

The case of J. F. Gallagher & Co. against Mrs. Fannie Kahn was called in Judge Emery's court this morning. The case is on a \$100 balance on a contract.

In the Galloway case the jury decided in favor of the defendant at the costs of the plaintiff and the case was then finished.

### POLICE COURT.

The breach of the peace case against Bob Moore and Bob McCormick was left open until tomorrow.

Lee Gibbs was fined \$1 and costs for drunkenness.

## BREAKERS AHEAD

The People Not Satisfied With the Public Library Matter.

The New Council Will Ignore the Action Taken By the Old Council.

It is understood that an ordinance will be shortly introduced into the council providing for every feature of the public library government. The present council from reports, does not believe that the action of the old council, on the afternoon it went out of office, employing an architect to draw the plans, will necessarily hold. Some think they have the power to reconsider, and all agree that the library matter is coming up again.

The city has made no contract with the architect, and no price has been agreed on. The present council will have the arrangement of this feature, and it is claimed can ignore completely the action of the former council, and proceed to employ or secure in some other way any architect it pleases, as the city has no contract with any as yet.

The popular idea is to have plans submitted by everybody who desires and select the ones that are deemed best.

### SENT TO THE SENATE.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Lieberth's name was sent to the senate this afternoon.

## WAS IT MURDER?

A Forgotten Tragedy in Paducah Recalled By Startling Developments.

Mr. J. O. Lyons of Louisville is at the Palmer. His mission here is to investigate a startling story that was told him a few days ago by a traveling man he met in Arkansas City, Ark. It is his first trip to Paducah, and he knew little about the city, but is here to inquire into the sensational death of his cousin, Stanley P. Lyons, who was found dead in a room at the New Richmond Hotel nearly three years ago, about noon, one day in January.

The young man traveled for a St. Louis house, and a pistol was found by his side, while a hole in his temple, with the pools of clotted blood on the floor, told the story of his death more completely than it could have been told in words.

The verdict of the coroner's jury was that the deceased committed suicide. Apparently he had stood in front of the glass and fired the ball into his temple upon arising that morning, as some of the servants remembered to have heard what was doubtless the report of a pistol about 8 o'clock that morning.

When he failed to appear at noon an investigation was made, and through the transom his cold, stiff body could be seen, clad only in his underclothes. There was never any doubt in the minds of anyone but that death was due to suicide. The remains were buried in Louisville, and the insurance of the deceased paid, and nothing more thought of it until a few days ago, when Mr. J. O. Lyons, himself a drummer, in discussing the death of his cousin in Paducah with a traveling man in Arkansas City, was astonished when the latter informed him that the young man was murdered.

The drummer stated that there was a bartender in Paducah who knew all about the killing. He overheard the plot to kill the young man for his money as it was being hatched by two men, and after the body of the supposed suicide was found, he was afraid to say anything of what he had heard.

Later this began to weigh on his mind, until he committed suicide. This bartender was Charles Sexton, better known as "Shorty," whose body was found in the river, where he had evidently jumped from the Island Creek bridge, less than a year ago.

The traveling man informed Mr. Lyons that Sexton never mentioned the matter except when drinking, and

that several times when under the influence of liquor, he told what he knew, and it finally drove him mad.

One peculiar thing about the death of young Lyons is that there was left no note explaining the cause of his rash deed, if it was a deed committed by his own hand. He had written before retiring a letter to his mother in Louisville, telling her where he was going from Paducah, and the missive was perfectly rational, and revealed no intimation of suicide. On the contrary it was evident from it that he had no intention when he retired of taking his own life. He had an insurance policy, almost new, which contained a suicide clause, but owing to the evidence, which showed that if it was suicide, the deed was committed after he had suddenly become insane, the company never contested it.

Mrs. W. L. Walker, wife of the well known electrician, and a sister-in-law of the late Charles Sexton, who resides over Caldwell's real estate office on South Third near Broadway, was seen by a reporter, and stated that her brother-in-law said before he died that Lyons was murdered, and that he, Sexton, knew all about it, and had been forced to swear that Lyons said that he had lost his money gambling, and didn't care to live any longer.

Sexton, a short time before he killed himself, told Mrs. Walker and her sister that Lyons had made a "winning" the night he was killed, and that whoever it was that killed him, whose name he didn't give, plotted to wait until he went to sleep, and then kill him and get his money. Sexton said they bored a hole in the ceiling and watched until he went to sleep, and then shot him with his own pistol. There is a hole in the room in which he was found dead, a reporter learned today, but it was made by the bullet which killed him.

Whether this story told by Sexton was merely the figment of a deranged mind, or the truth, may never be known, but Mrs. Walker declares that it is what drove him to suicide.

Mr. Lyons' presence in the city is bound to arouse interest in the forgotten tragedy, and it may be that there will develop something to prove or disprove the almost incredible story told him by the drummer a few days ago, and partially confirmed by the dead bartender's relatives.

### \$50,000 FIRE.

Russell Springs, Dec. 4.—Three stores burned here last night, loss \$50,000, with no insurance.

### KILLED WITH MORPHINE.

Mt. Olivet, Dec. 4.—Wm. Turner, an aged Bracken county farmer, suicided by taking morphine. Domestic trouble caused it.

### ELECTION AT MILAN.

Milan, Dec. 4.—The city election was held here yesterday under the Australian system, and a very light vote was polled. The wet and dry issue took some part in the election, and a wet mayor was elected. The following were elected: Mayor, R. E. Edwards; aldermen, W. J. Rust, R. L. Coley and W. T. Dickey.

## DIS IS ME;

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## PADUCAH TO GET IT

Wholesale Grocers Adjourn at Louisville After Organizing.

Mr. Will H. Farley, of Paducah, Elected One of the Vice Presidents.

## WHAT THE STATE GROCERS DID

Paducah will in all probability get the next meeting of the Retail Grocers' Association of the state, just organized in Louisville. The executive committee will later decide on the meeting, but it is generally believed that Paducah will get it. Mr. W. H. Farley, of the city, made a hard fight for it, and the Paducah delegation clearly showed that we are all hustlers down here, and the association wants to go where there are hustlers.

The election of officers resulted: President—J. H. Button, Louisville. First Vice President—J. B. Roger, Lexington. Secretary—George W. Call, Louisville.

Treasurer—A. J. Fee, Paris. Mr. W. H. Farley of Paducah, was chosen vice president from the First congressional district. There is one from each district.

The first business before the convention was the hearing of the report of the committee on constitution and by-laws. The report stated that the association should be known as the Kentucky Retail Grocers' Association. The report of the committee further recommended a law similar to that of Minnesota, which prohibits the assignment of wages to "money sharks," the sale of merchandise in bulk by bill of sale, with ten days' notice, and the trading stamp and gift schemes.

The officers of the state association were urged to assist in the passage of a law making it a misdemeanor to punish false statements in advertisements as to the quality, price and trademarks of goods.

The parcel post project was denounced as a pernicious measure, calculated to rob the many for the benefit of the few. The proposed postal check note scheme was also condemned. The exemption laws of the state were condemned as having bankrupted many of Kentucky's retail grocers.

A resolution recommending harmonious relations between the jobber and the retailer was adopted. It was asked that the wholesalers throughout the state refrain from selling to consumers.

A banquet at the Louisville hotel last night ended the convention. President A. J. Ross, of the Louisville Retail Grocers' Association, was toastmaster. The speakers were Judge J. Wheeler McGee, James F. Grinstead, E. A. Stevens, Charles Pfeiffer, W. H. Farley, John A. Lee, Joseph T. O'Neal, O. L. Deming and Gano Ammerman.

## WANTS DAMAGES.

Andrew Young Sues A. L. Roark For \$5,000.

Alleges the Alienation of His Wife's Affections—Answers Her Divorce Suit.

Andrew Young, an express driver, through his attorney, Mr. W. V. Eaton, this morning filed a suit against A. L. Roark, of the Leigh Fruit company, for \$5,000 damages for the alleged alienation of his wife's affections.

Some time ago Mrs. Ellen Young filed suit against her husband for divorce and the custody of their two children.

This morning Mr. Young filed an answer to the petition, filing charges of adultery, and virtually asking that the court award him the divorce.

At the same time Mr. Young filed the damage suit against Mr. Roark for \$5,000. Mrs. Young was formerly Miss Ellen Fletcher, and the couple have been married about twelve years.

## NEW MEMBERS NOT INSTALLED

New School Trustees Had Forgotten Their Certificates of Election.

The Regular Report of Superintendent Hatfield Was Read—Treasurer Terrell's Final Report.

## ADJOURNED MEETING FOR TONIGHT

The Board of Education held its regular meeting last night at the city hall, with all the members present except Trustee Taylor. Supt. Hatfield's report showed the school attendance had increased 48 over October and November was: Washington building 535, Longfellow building 389, Franklin 873, Jefferson 376, Lee 361; Langstaff 91, Frontier 49, Lincoln 543, and Garfield 335, making a total of 3,035. He reported that the half sessions instituted in some rooms had proven very successful. He said that small pox and scarlet fever had not been contracted at any of the schools, and it was hoped to prevent any infection by constant vigilance.

The regular pay roll, amounting to \$3,123.96, and miscellaneous bills amounting to 554.57 were allowed.

Treasurer Terrell rendered his final report, showing a balance in favor of the city of \$3,123.96, for which amount he gave his check. He stated that the board is out of debt, and has about \$15,000 still due from the city, and a small amount due from the state. He congratulated the retiring board on its able management of the finances. The report was ordered received and recorded.

Secretary Rose of the supply committee reported that while some of the desks furnished the new school by the American School Furniture company were not up to contract, the company had agreed to guarantee them for fifteen years and replace all broken parts. The bill of about \$600 was allowed.

Chairman Weille of the committee appointed to look after Architect Davis' suit against the board, reported that the new city attorney had informed him that the suit would be pushed at the next term of court, and no doubt disposed of.

The board unanimously tendered President Reddick, Treasurer Terrell and Secretary Rose, who retire, its heartfelt thanks for the able management of the affairs during their terms just closed. President Reddick has not missed calling the board to order a single time during his service, and he, with the others, has always been very energetic in the work for the schools.

This concluded the regular business of the board, but when it was time to swear in the new members, who were all present, it was learned that none of them had received his certificate of election, and on this account the meeting was adjourned until tonight, when the swearing in will take place.

President Reddick, in retiring, stated that he had at all times tried to discharge his duties well, and had seen the finances of the board change from a debt of \$10,000, which was paid by the members giving their individual note, to the present condition, when not a cent is owed. He denied officially the report published in the News some time ago, that secret meetings had been held, saying there was not the slightest foundation for it.

## FIRES DOWN THE LINE.

NEWBERN, TENN., VISITED BY A DESTRUCTIVE BLAZE.

Passengers on the noon train report a big fire raging in Newbern, Tenn. The Gilmore hotel had been destroyed and several other adjacent buildings.

Knight's hotel in Fulton caught fire this morning but little damage was done. The blaze was extinguished before any great damage could be done.

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